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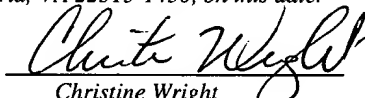
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**CONFIRMATION OF SUBSTANCE OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEW**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action communication mailed May 24, 2005, Applicant confirm the substance of the telephone interview as follows:

**REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully wish to confirm the substance of the telephone interview of May 17, 2005, as described in the Office Action communication of 05/24/2005. This response confirms the Substance of the Interview as stated in the communication of 05/24/2005 which says that after thorough examination and discussion of the Figures and claims related to the Election Requirement sent March 20, 2005 it was agreed upon by the examiner and attorney [should be patent agent] that a response electing Figures 1-5 and 9 (related to claims 1-5, 19, 20-28 and 29) would be held as a proper response.

The Applicant's Agent wishes to again thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the telephone interview of May 17, 2005 and to again note that the Interview Summary

should be corrected to say agent or patent agent instead of attorney in the underlined portion, and to note that neither the Examiner's supervisor Chris Kelley, nor attorney Christopher Reckamp were present during this Interview in contradiction to their being listing as present on the Interview Summary.

Again, thank you for the courtesies extended.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 24, 2005

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